## **CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

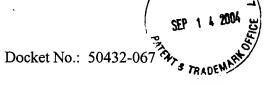
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Application Number	09/817,056
Filing Date	March 27, 2001
First Named Inventor	Kai YANG, et al.
Group Art Unit	2811
Examiner Name	T, NGUYEN
Attorney Docket Number	50432-067

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which

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Kai YANG, et al. : Confirmation Number: 2813

Serial No.: 09/817,056 : Group Art Unit: 2811

Filed: March 27, 2001 : Examiner: T. NGUYEN

For: STABILIZING FLUORINE ETCHING OF LOW-K MATERIALS

## **AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following Amendment and Remarks are submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 in response to the Office Action dated August 17, 2004, together with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed concurrently herewith.

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Mail Stop Amendment Transmittal

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27

Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Independent Claims	4	3	1	\$86.00 =	\$86.00
		Multiple claims new	\$0.00		
		Fee for extension of time			\$0.00
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		Total of Above Calculations			\$140.00

Please charge my Deposit Account No. <u>500417</u> in the amount of \$140.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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